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Status of Intelligence for Bulgaria and Southern Rumania in  
Respect to Air Photography, Map Coverage and Basic Geographic  
Studies

I. Air Photography

- a. Very inadequate coverage for intelligence and operational purposes; spotty but good quality; approximately 12 percent of Bulgaria and 20 percent of Rumania south of  $45^{\circ}30'N$ ; largely limited to industrial and urban areas, the coastal areas of Rumania and the Greek and Turkish borders.
- b. Captured German photography covering wide coastal areas of Rumania and section north of Ploesti; U. S. photography for principle industrial centers, oil fields, major cities and ports and Greek border; photo analysis underway since 1950 for a few industrial areas, port facilities and oil refineries; major part of available photography unexploited.
- c. Little or no air photography for Yugoslav border and rail line through central Bulgaria; Bulgarian coast scantily covered.

II. Map Coverage

- a. Bulgarian large-scale maps (1:25,000), covering northwestern and southern parts of Bulgaria and areas centering on Sofiya and Varna, are considered reliable; Bulgarian originals issued in 1930's and German redrafts during War. Bulgarian originals at 1:50,000 scale ~~are~~ reliable, covering same areas and parts of Macedonia. Bulgarian maps at 1:100,000 are completely inadequate and out of date but cover entire country. Seventy-five percent of towns over 100,000 population covered by pre-war town plans of variable reliability.
- b. Rumanian large-scale maps (1:20,000) are of very poor reliability and quality and completely inadequate for fire control; cover approximately one-third of the Rumanian area, largely complete along Danube and Bucuresti; complete coverage of area at 1:100,000 scale but of very poor reliability and quality. Town plans available for all major towns and ports but deficient in detail and out of date.

- c. Unavailable maps include a few sheets at 1:50,000 scale in central Bulgaria and along Yugoslav border and a few sheets at 1:20,000 scale issued during World War II, covering Danube Delta and area around Bucuresti.
- d. Map coverage for northern two-thirds of Bulgaria completely unsatisfactory and inadequate for fire control. No maps adequate for fire control in Rumanian area.

### III. Geographic Studies

Fair quality generalized studies of terrain conditions are available in open sources. Much of this source material is out of date and little new and detailed information available.

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